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## Memorandum

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The attached E-Alert was sent out to members of the American Media on August 11, 2009.

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## Pamela Nieto

From: Lisa Mendelson

Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2009 1:10 PM

To: Kenya

Subject: Kenya: New Anti-Terrorism Unit Formed

Dear Sir or Madam,

Below, please find an article from All Africa documenting how Kenya is continuing to strengthen their security forces along the Somali border to combat terrorist threats. The new unit of the Ranger Strike Force, created with the assistance of the United States, is currently active along the border and responsible for many security operations to prevent infiltrators from crossing the border. Additionally, the article discusses other recent security measures put in place including maritime enforcement helping to combat piracy as well as an expanding canine enforcement program along the border.

If this is of interest to you, please contact me at Imendelson@clsdc.com or 202-777-3561.





Kenya: New Anti-Terrorism Unit Formed

By: Patrick Mayoyo

Thursday, August 6, 2009

Nairobi — A new anti-terrorism unit has been formed in Kenya as part of major reforms in the military to help combat terror threats.

Formed with the assistance of the United States Government, the new unit of the Ranger Strike Force has been behind a number of security operations on the Kenya-Somalia border to prevent terrorist infiltration by al-Qaeda terror group and al-Shabaab militias from war-torn Somalia.

According to a report of the US State Department's Office of the Coordinator of Counter-terrorism, the mandate for the unit covers operations against infiltrators and armed groups, including terrorists.

Other reforms in the military aimed at equipping it to fight terrorism include the acquisition of

additional F5 fighter aircraft to be used in maritime and counter terrorism surveillance. However, Department of Defense (DoD) spokesman Bogita Ongeri denied that there was such a unit, saying all military anti-terrorism activities were being coordinated by the National Counter-Terrorism Centre.

Additionally, the Kenya Navy has also received training and equipment from the United States for maritime intervention operations in the country's territorial waters. The Maritime Police Unit and other government agencies such as the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), have also received equipment and training for coastal security from the State Department's Anti-terrorism Assistance Programme and the United States military's Combined Joint Task Force-Horn of Africa.

The recent establishment of a Regional Maritime Centre of Excellence to deal with terrorism and other maritime security issues was part of measures being put in place by the government to step-up efforts to deal with threats posed by terrorism.

Other anti-terrorism initiatives include installation of a Maritime Security and Safety Information System (MSSIS) in key positions on the Kenyan coast, with the assistance of the United States military.

The American Department of Homeland Security's Customs and Border Control (CBP) office is also assisting KRA's Customs Department in meeting the World Customs Organisation (WCO) Framework of Standards to Secure Global Trade and addressing Export Border Control Issues.

CBP has provided multi-agency training through workshops, seminars, and courses covering airport, seaport, land border, and export control issues and provided inspection equipment to customs and other agencies in Kenya engaged in port and border security issues. CBP is also assisting KRA in improving and expanding its Canine Enforcement Programme.

In May 2008, government officials from different security agencies travelled to the US for training in airport, seaport and border security operations.

To read the original article, click here.

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